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Application of: Arntzen et al.

Serial No.: 09/129,298

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OLIGONUCLEOTIDES TO EFFECT  
LOCALIZED GENETIC CHANGES IN  
PLANTS

Art Unit: 1649

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Examiner: O. Zaghmout

Attorney Docket No.: 7991-023

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated August 2, 1999, be extended for a period of 2 month(s) from November 2, 1999 to and including January 2, 1999.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$380.00. Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date December 29, 1999

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